



1st Joint Call Kick-off Meeting

“Tackling global societal challenges through innovative climate research”

Brussels, June 16-17, 2015

JPI Climate, the European network of climate research funding agencies, is glad to invite the representatives from the 9 consortia selected in the context of the JPI Climate 1st joint call (both for Topic 1 –“societal transformations in the face of climate change” and for Topic 2 –“Russian Arctic and boreal systems”) to the Kick-off meeting, which will take place on June 16-17 in Brussels. As announced in the call text, an accompanying programme is offered by JPI Climate aiming for three goals: (1) to boost networking at different levels, (2) to foster capacity building among the projects and (3) to explore outreach and communication strategies.

The first day is mainly focused on networking and cross-project capacity building; funders’ representatives and experts involved in the call conception will also participate. The second day corresponds to a standing-alone workshop on knowledge usability. It will address exploration of outreach and communication strategies.

D r a f t A g e n d a

Tuesday, June 16, 2015

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| 9:15 | Welcome and tour de table
<i>Alexis Sancho Reinoso, University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences/JPI Climate</i>
<i>Petra Manderscheid, JPI Climate Central Secretariat</i> |
| 9:35 | The JPI Climate 1 st joint call: Visions and expectations
<i>Sebastian Helgenberger, Institute for Advance Sustainability Studies</i> |
| 10:00 | Consortia get-together (1): What’s our project about?
<i>Elisabeth Worliczek, University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences/JPI Climate</i>

Plenary, project presentation session based on ‘flash’ inputs (about 5 min.) on each project, including some quick questions from the audience. |
| 11:35 | <i>Coffee break</i> |
| 12:00 | Consortia get-together (2): How to improve your research process?
<i>Elisabeth Worliczek, University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences/JPI Climate</i> |

	Break-out session on exchange of experiences related to consortia set-up and management.
13:00	<i>Lunch break</i>
14:00	Keynote: “Transdisciplinarity as a method of science-practice collaboration: Definition(s), prerequisites and challenges in the start-up phase” <i>Roland Scholz, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology</i>
14:30	The added value of JPI Climate <i>Alexis Sancho Reinoso, University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences/JPI Climate</i> The 1 st call accompanying programme will be briefly presented, focusing on the following aspects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Networking at multiple levels ➤ Capacity building among the projects ➤ Outreach and societal impact <p>A brainstorming session on how to undertake research in a more transparent and sustainable manner will follow.</p>
15:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
16:00	Consortia get-together (3): How to improve the projects’ transdisciplinarity? <i>Christian Pohl, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology</i> Participative session with a short input from the facilitator, focus on comparing the projects’ different understandings of transdisciplinarity and, on this basis, on identifying ways to make advances towards “more transdisciplinary” practices.
17:45	Wrap-up, preliminary conclusions
18:00	End of the meeting
19:00	Dinner @ Rest. “Aglio e olio” (Chaussée de Vleurgat 25, 1050 Brussels)

Wednesday, June 17, 2015: “JPI Climate Knowledge Usability WORKshop”

9:00	Welcome <i>Rob Swart, Alterra/JPI Climate</i>
9:15	A story from practice <i>Leo Meyer, Technical Support Unit IPCC AR5 Synthesis Report</i> Inspiring talk about experiences on good and bad practices to bridge the usability gaps in climate research projects.
9:45	Science, values & stories: Engaging diverse audiences with climate research <i>Adam Corner, Climate Outreach & Information Network</i> Challenges and lessons learned will be shared about translating climate science in an easy-to-understand message towards: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Local policy makers ➤ National policy makers ➤ Politicians

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ General public <p>Practical guidelines will be explored on how researchers can be chameleons by tailoring their messages to the different types of knowledge users.</p>
11:15	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:30	<p>The Package <i>Bernd Hezel, Climate Media Factory</i></p> <p>Visualizations, maps, art, pitches, memo's, infographics, blogs, long reads, interviews, movies, games, presentations... there are many media to get climate science understood by stakeholders/users. Experiences and lessons learned will be shared and practical guidelines will be developed to connect appropriate media with specific user settings.</p>
12:30	<i>Lunch and exposition of various tools to make knowledge usable</i>
13:30	<p>Interacting with users <i>Femke Merckx, Kenniscocreatie (Knowledge Cocreation)</i></p> <p>Co-creation, communication, transdisciplinary approaches... science and policy can collaborate and/or co-create usable knowledge in many ways. These approaches and processes have strength and weaknesses. Some are costly; others are easily accessible by a wide variety of stakeholders...</p> <p>What works in what setting? How aligning timing of research and decision-making processes? How managing expectations of users and providers of knowledge? Experiences and lessons learned will be shared.</p>
15:00	<i>Coffee break</i>
15:45	<p>Towards practical guidance for JPI Climate Research Projects <i>Roger Street, Environmental Change Institute Oxford University/JPI Climate</i> <i>Rob Swart, Alterra/JPI Climate</i></p> <p>Based on the shared experiences and lessons learned during the workshop, a set of practical guidelines and good practices will be developed that can be used by participants and in other future Climate Research Projects</p>
16:30	Closing

Venue

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